

Assessing Systemic Impact of Disaster and Terrorism: Method of Injury vs Context

Satellite Conference and Live Webcast

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Disasters and terrorist events impact the public at large, but also those systems that serve the public and are responsible for the health and well-being of their community. These events can have a devastating impact on the behavioral health care systems themselves and those who work within these bureaucracies. This program will examine the effects of disaster and terrorism on helping systems, planning and response strategies to help avoid unnecessary problems.

Behavioral health service capacity is not a static measure, but will vary throughout the response and recovery to any event. The presentation will explain key concepts that will help evaluate capacity and impact levels based upon measures of community context and method of injury. Examples will be used throughout the presentation to illustrate myriad variables that impact service systems which can come into play in the response to and recovery from disasters and how to plan for management of those variables.

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Program Objectives:

- To measure behavioral health needs related to disaster or terrorist events as a function of method of injury within a definable context.
- To understand the impact of disaster and terrorism on the behavioral health system.
- To learn variable methods of assessing the psycho-social impact of disaster or terrorism on victims and the behavioral health systems responding.
- To learn the impact of outside resources, their value and their cost to existing resources.
- To learn how to plan for hosting requested and unrequested resources.

Conference Details:

Target Audience: Public health professionals, first responders, community planners, healthcare providers.

CEUs: No CEUs awarded for this program.

Registration: www.adph.org/alphntn **Cost:** No cost to view.

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